

Final Meeting Minutest, February 8th, 2022

Wednesday, February 08, 2023

7:06 AM

Agenda:

Meeting called to order at 7:02

Attendees:

Bill McKinney
Sheila Sturm
Sean Mamone
Tim Berry
John Arico
Joan Cleary
Lorri Hayes
Howard Brown
Frank Weber
Kim Roberge

Chip Spalding
Jane King
Lucien Soucy
Jay Wilson
Cindy Raspiller
Ben Crosby

1. Meeting call to order at 7:00 PM
2. Opening public comments
3. Lorri: What is public comment
 1. What are the limitations of public comment?
 2. Sheila moves that Chip Spalding come back to a future meeting to make a presentation of his personal opinion on the road and limit it to 10 minutes.
 3. Frank seconds
 4. Bill proposes to limit all presentations to 10 minutes. Frank seconds
 - a. Kim and Sean are opposed
 - b. 5 yes
 - c. 3 opposed
 - d. Motion passes
 5. Kim is opposed because Chip is here tonight and should have had his time to present.
 6. 5 yes

7. 3 opposed
8. Motion passes

4. Tim Does that means that everyone be limited to 10 minutes? Yes. That is not enough time to discuss all these warrant articles.
5. Kim feels that there should not be a specific time limit. It should be up to the chair to decide when the discussion has gone on too long.

6. Review/Approve minutes from February 1st

1. Tim motion to approve
2. Bill seconds
3. Lorri - Yes
4. Bill - Yes
5. Sheila -Yes
6. Sean yes
7. Tim - Yes
8. John - Yes

7. Review action items

1. JC and HB will check the **Repair and Maintenance of Town Buildings non lapsing fund** to determine the amount available.
 - a. \$100,000 is available for the installation of sprinkler systems, Fire alarms, and Transfer station Trailer
2. JA will ask the reason we have line item 429003 and 429004
 - a. Seasonal weather response - Snowstorms, hurricanes
 - b. COVID -
 - c. These makes sure that we have the ability to respond to emergencies
3. JA will ask the Department of Public Works what culvert cleaning is.
 - a. We hire a company to come in to clean out debris from catch basins and culverts that may be clogged.
4. JC will invite department heads to February 8th meeting. - Done
5. JA will have warrant article on Monday, February 6 - Done
6. JA will create a document that outlines the Budget Committee's position in the town report and will request comments. - Done

8. Review/Approve Report

1. Paving marking \$6,500 doesn't come close. Costs are increasing. 8,900 Linear Feet will tentatively cover what is planned for striping.
2. \$10,000 will cover just what is currently striped.
3. The selectmen modified the budget line item from \$14,000 to \$10,000
4. Bill: As we look at the fog line issue with the town, have there been any studies done to identify which roads have bigger problems: Ben: Only my own judgement.
5. There has not been a traffic study done on those to date.
6. Tim moves to adjust our report to increase line item 431256 to \$10,000 to agree with the selectmen
7. Kim seconded.
8. Bill: I think it is more of a hazard not to maintain what we already have.
9. The \$10,000 covers only the lines that we already have.

10. Motion passes by acclamation

9. Cold Patch:

1. To maintain what we normally buy in any given year, \$2,500 is needed.
2. At \$2,000 you wouldn't be able to repair any more holes than was done last year.
3. Kim: The object of this was to get the budget under 10%. Sand and salt went up \$10,000. Is there anywhere in here that we can trim? Ben: We always go over sand and salt.
4. How much sand and salt do we buy every year. ? In the last few years it roughly 900 to 950 tons of salt.
5. Tim: Motion to rescind our reduction of \$500. Kim seconds
6. Kim: That is earmarked for something that is there now.
7. Motion passes by acclamation

Calcium chloride:

Last year was an unusual year. We didn't use what we usually do, The cost increase is due to the increase in cost of the liquid.

1. Sean: We had a very dry summer; how did we not use it?
2. What is the usage of calcium: We are using it as dust control. Although there was not rain, the humidity was high so they didn't have to treat the roads as often. The excess was carried over to the next year.
3. What impact would the reduction of \$1,400 have. It would cut out about 1/3 of a load. We wouldn't get as much treatment as we usually do.
4. From a maintenance point of view, what is the use of the calcium chlorite? We don't have to grade the roads as often.
5. Would you agree that we could get away with limiting this line item by \$1,400
6. Tim : Motion to rescind our requested reduction: Kim seconds.
7. Kim: I think that holding the roads together is important. We should be maintaining them as best we can.
8. Lucien: Recommend taking the \$1,400 deduction and if you run out, the season is done.
9. Voting:
 1. Bill - Nay
 2. Sheila - Nay
 3. Kim - Yes
 4. Frank - Nay
 5. Sean - Nay
 6. Tim - Yes
 7. John - Yes
 8. Motion fails

10. New business

1. Decide whom we wish to speak with regarding warrant articles
 - a. Library
 - b. Cemetery
 - c. Board of Selectmen - John Quinlan
 - d. Chip

- e. Fire Department
- f. Ben Crosby

11. We will meet on the 15th, the 21st, 22nd and the 1st. On the 15th, we will discuss the road, Library, and sprinkler system.
12. On the 21st at the Fire Department, we will discuss the Heritage Commission, Fire truck, and Radios.
13. Closing public comment period
14. Next meeting: Wednesday, February 15th, 2023 at 6:30 PM
15. Meeting adjournment
16. Motion to adjourn: Lorri, Seconded by Kim. Meeting adjourned at 9:26.